

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 8 - 10 stand rejected as anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2005/0077841 issued to Lurkens et al (Lurkens). Claims 4, 7 and 13 - 15 stand rejected as being unpatentable over Lurkens in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,520,648 issued to Stark et al. Claim 5 stands rejected as being unpatentable over Lurkens in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,637,893 issued to Hecht. Appreciation is expressed for the indication of allowance of Claims 16 - 18 and 20 and the indication that Claims 3 and 11 recite allowable subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejections.

The Examiner maintains the rejections of Claims 1 and 8 as anticipated by Lurkens by stating, "It is irrelevant how small the adjustments made to the power in Lurkens are. The adjustments are still adjustments no matter how small they are. According to FIGS. 2a-d and 4 and paragraphs [0061] – [0065], luminance controller 132, 150 reduces the power driver output in response to sensed luminance. Accordingly, Lurkens still reads on the 'claimed' invention."

Claim 1 recites, in part, "a setpoint level associated with a desired projector bulb life."

Claim 8 recites, in part, "luminance threshold associated with the desired projector life."

Lurkens cannot anticipate Claims 1 and 8 because Lurkens fails to teach, disclose or suggest any use of a luminance threshold "associated with a desired projector bulb life." What is relevant is that Claims 1 and 8 adjust power relative to a "setpoint level" or "luminance threshold" associated with a desired projector life. Lurkens is void of any reference to projector bulb life. Accordingly, Claims 1 and 8 are allowable, as are Claims 2-7 and 9-15 which depend from Claims 1 and 8 respectively. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a notice of allowance without further delay.

CONCLUSION

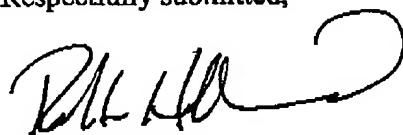
In view of the remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that

might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 502264.

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